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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 19, 2004, for which a response is due December 19, 2004, please enter the following election.

RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Although applicant respectfully disagrees with the examiner's restriction of the claims, applicant nevertheless provisionally elects to prosecute Group I, claims 1-22, drawn to an elongated intracorporeal optical instrument, without traverse.

ELECTION REQUIREMENT

The examiner further required an election of a single species if no generic claim is finally held allowable. In response thereto, applicant provisionally elects to prosecute species I as characterized by the examiner as a ferrule with releasable engagement. Applicant believes that claims 1-9 and 17-22 are readable on species I.

MAILING ADDRESS UPDATE

Applicant kindly requests that the examiner update the Patent Office records so that all future Office communications will be directed to the undersigned at Fulwider Patton Lee & Utecht, LLP, Customer No. 24201, whose mailing address is shown below. Applicant filed with the Patent Office a "Power of Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest (Revocation of Prior Powers)" on June 26, 2002, designating the undersigned as attorneys of record. The return post card stamped by the OIPE on July 1, 2002, confirms that the Patent Office did receive the power of attorney and change of address information. The Coudert Brothers LLP mailing address shown on the current Office action is no longer valid.

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Respectfully submitted,

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